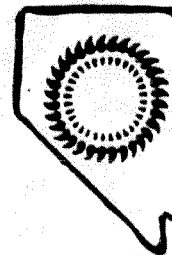# NEVADA CLIMATE SUMMARY

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SYNOPSIS

November was an unusually warm and dry month in the Silver State, with many locations setting all-time records for 11th month warmth. A few of those places were Mina (record began 1887); Battle Mountain (1891); Minden (1906); and Yerington (1913). On the dry side Reno's record breaking 129 consecutive day dry spell came to an end on the 25th. The old record was 118 days in 1959. Several other locations had a record or near record dry late Summer--early Fall.

The first Sierra Nevada snowfall, minimal as it was, came at one of the latest times ever -- on Thanksgiving Weekend. Only Fall 1959 brought a later first arrival of the white stuff. However, unusual warm weather the last week of November 1995 erased even that. Oblivious to all this was the extreme Northeast in the Bruneau, Owyhee and Jarbidge River Areas, where Mountain City had 1/2" more than normal of 1.47", and nearby Jarbidge had over 2&1/2 inches of precipitation and 7" of snow.

In the South, Las Vegas also enjoyed the warmest November since Airport records began in 1937, and finished the month with the second longest number of consecutive dry days on record. (This dry spell continues as of December 11th).

This is all in great contrast to last November, when records for cold and snow were set at many locations.

PRECIPITATION

The only wet area in Nevada during November was in the Owyhee River Drainage in the extreme Northeast where Jarbidge had 2.55" and 7" of snow, Mountain City 1.97" and Jarbidge Diamond A Ranch 1.90" and 8" of snowfall, with .95 on the 26th. With the exception of much of the Northeast, the rest of the State had well below normal precipitation, with many goose eggs. Some other 1" plus amounts were measured at Tuscarora (1.30"), Wildhorse Reservoir (1.28"), Arthur (1.14"), and Jackpot (1.03"),. The only significant snowfall (1 foot+) fell in the high portions (7500'+) of the Northeast Mountains.

TEMPERATURE

November temperatures averaged well above normal, with most of the State logging record or near record warmth. Departures from normal was in the +4 to +9 degree range. In addition to those already mentioned, Denio had the warmest November with records beginning in 1951. The same was true for Glenbrook at Tahoe, with record keeping beginning in 1944. The Carson City record ran from 1880-1906, and 1923 to date, with November 1995 the warmest. Only November 1949 was warmer at Austin, with a 106 year long record. Records go back to 1888 in Reno, with November 1995 tying November 1932 for second place in the warmth derby--November 1926 was the warmest. The 79° reading on the 17th was only one degree short of the Minden November extreme set in 1962. Kyle Canyon (at 7500') on Mt. Charleston near Las Vegas had a November record 69° at mid-month. Warmest November readings were found in the South where Colorado River and Lake Mead sites reported hi 80's early in the month.

On the "hard to find cool side", early in the month the mercury fell to -10 at Dave Secrist's San Jacinto weather station, to -7 at Frank Prunty's Charleston location, with -6's at Deeth, Mountain City, Boies Ranch, and Wildhorse Reservoir. IL Ranch had -4, Montello -3, and McDermitt -1

SUNSHINE, WIND &EVAPORATION

Near record amounts of sunshine hours were logged in all but Northeast Nevada, while wind speeds were well below normal Statewide. Gusts above 60 mph were found only at Mountain Top locations and at Ted Hendricks Minden weather station where a near hurricane force 66mph reading rocked the area on the 25th.

Evaporation readings were well above normal this month.

WE WISH YOU AND YOURS A <u>VERY</u> HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!

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CLIMATE STATIONS

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Tailing Pond
Paradise Valley
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Desert Valley
Sleeper Mine
Chimney Creek Santa Fe
Golconda
Winnemucca WSO AP
NORTHWESTERN
Bare Ranch
Gerlach Hualapai
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Sulphur
Winnemucca
Lone Tree Mine
Imlay
Marigold Mine
Smoke Creek Espil
Rye Patch Dam
Unionville
WASHOE
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PERSHING
Honey Lake Fleming
Flanigan
Pyramid Lake
Lovelock
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Paris Ranch
Couer Rochester Mine
Lovelock FAA AP
Sutcliffe
Red Rock Valley
Hay Creek
Reno UNR
Wadsworth 4N
CHURCHILL
Reno WSFO AP
Fernley
Fallon Exp Stn
Verdi Peak
(See Inset Map)
Mt. Rose
STOREY
Virginia City
Fallon NAS
Xmas Tree
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Dayton
LYON
Lahonton Dam
Middlegate Lovry
Lake Tahoe
Genoa
CARSON CITY
Wabuska 5SE
Glenbrook
Daggett Pass
DOUGLAS
45
Yerington
Stoteline-Harrah's
Minden
Sheridan Acres 25
Smith 6N
Rawhide Mine
Woodfords
China Springs
Wellington
Lahonton Fish Hatchery
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Topaz Lake 4N
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Walker Lake
Hawthorne
9 Mile Ranch
Mina
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MINERAL
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Mountain City RS
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IL Ranch
Charleston
Gibbs Ranch
Boies Ranch
Jarrett Canyon Mine
Tuscarora
ELKO
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Metropolis
62
Montello 1 SE
Corlin
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Deeth
Wells
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Clover Valley
South Fork
Arthur 4 NW
Lamoille Yost
Battle Mtn.
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Ruby Valley
Jiggs Zaga
Beowawe
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Copper Canyon & Basin Mines
Echo Bay McCoy Mine
Pine Valley Bailey
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Currie Hwy Stn
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Bold Mtn. Mine
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Eureka
Alligator Mine
North Spring Valley
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McGill
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Kingston Canyon
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Ely WSO AP
Reese River O'Toole
Snowball Ranch
Ruth
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Gabbs
Smokey Valley
Duckwater
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Lund
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Great Basin Nat'l Park
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Belmont
Shoshone 5N
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Manhattan
Blue Eagle Hanks
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SOUTH CENTRAL
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Lake Valley Steward
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Spring Valley St Pk
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EXTREME SOUTHERN
Amargosa Farms Garey
Bunkerville
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Desert Rock WSMO
Lee Canyon
CLARK
Overton
Overto Beach
Ash Meadows
Desert Nat'l WL Range
Valley of Fire St Pk
Pahrump
Kyle Canyon
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N. Las Vegas
Echo Bay
Lake Mead
Red Rock Canyon St Pk
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Collville Bay
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Spring Valley James
Boulder Beach
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Boulder City
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Sandy
Searchlight
Cottonwood Cove
Loughlin

114°
42°

STATION LEGEND

○ Precipitation — non recording
● Precipitation — recording
⊙ Precipitation & Temperature
◇ Precipitation, Temperature & Evaporation
⊕26 Storage Gage (see supplemental sheet)
⚏ Special Network
⊞ Designates Storage Gage Groupings
Ω State Climate Office Station (Others — Nat'l Weather Service)
◉ Double circle combinations indicate the availibility of more detailed meteorlogical data

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